

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 1-2 and new sheet 5. These sheets, which includes Figs. 1-2, replaces the original sheets including Figs. 1-2. In Figs. 1-2, the box indicating element 17 has had the label "touchscreen video display device shared resource" added thereto for clarity.

New sheet 5 including Fig. 6 has been added to include the steps of Method Claim 14.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets 1-2
New Sheet 5.

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 are currently pending in the application as amended. Claims 8 and 14 have been amended to more clearly direct the antecedent basis. Claims 1, 10 and 14 have been amended to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicants regard as the invention. Support for the claim amendments can be found in Figs. 1-4, in the original claims and in the Specification at page 4, line 5 - page 7, line 12. Figs. 1-2 have been amended to show a textual label for the box depicted as element 17. Fig. 6 has been added to show the steps of method claim 14. The Specification has been amended to reference to new Fig. 6. The subject matter of Fig. 6 is entirely within at least method claim 14 and the supporting Specification passages. Accordingly, no new matter has been added to the Specification and no new matter is added by the other amendments.

Drawing Amendments

The Examiner has objected to the drawings because the steps of method claim 14 must be shown and because box 17 should be labeled.

In accordance with the Examiner's suggestions, new sheet 5 including Fig. 6 has been added to include the steps of method claim 14 and Figs. 1-2 have been amended so that the box indicating element 17 has the label "touchscreen video display device shared resource" added thereto for clarity.

The Specification has been amended to merely refer to new Fig. 6. The subject matter of Fig. 6 is entirely within at least method claim 14 and the supporting Specification passages. Therefore, no new matter has been added to the Specification or to the drawings.

Accordingly, the Examiner's objection to the drawings has been overcome and should be withdrawn.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Examiner has rejected claims 8 and 14 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for lacking sufficient antecedent basis for "the first controller" and "the second controller."

Applicants have amended claims 8 and 14, as suggested by the Examiner to refer to "the controller of the first amusement device" and "the controller of the second amusement device," respectively.

Accordingly, the rejection of claims 8 and 14 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, has been overcome and should be withdrawn.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-14 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0176213 ("LeMay").

Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 1-14 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) be withdrawn in view of the foregoing amendments and for at least the following reasons.

Independent claims 1, 10 and 14 have been each amended to include, among other things:

the memory of the first amusement device including a
plurality of games selectable for play by a user at the first
amusement device...

LeMay fails to disclose or suggest any of the gaming machines having, itself, a memory including a plurality of games selectable for play by a user at that gaming machine.

The gaming machine of LeMay is a casino style gaming machine, which is a highly regulated device. See paragraph [0004]. Critical gaming devices are gaming devices used to provide a game of chance and are typically more regulated and more scrutinized than gaming peripherals that are placed on a gaming machine but not directly involved in a game of chance. See paragraph [0008]. LeMay provides a gaming machine that has a plurality of virtual gaming machine peripherals such as player tracking, automatic teller machine service, hotel/casino service, communications service, registration service, sports book service, an entertainment service, prize redemption service and a locator service. See paragraph [0013]. The LeMay device provides either a game of chance or provides various gaming services. See paragraph [0039]. LeMay does not suggest providing a plurality of games at one gaming machine, just a plurality of additional services that are not the game.

The present invention is directed to at least one amusement device, such as an amusement device which allow a user to select games from a video display are well known in the art such as those disclosed in U.S. Patent Nos. 4,856,787 (Ikis); 5, 575, 717 (Houriet, Jr. *et al.*); 5,743,799 (Houriet, Jr. *et al.*), each of which shows a touchscreen display for making a game selection from a menu of games. Thus, the memory of the first amusement device includes a plurality of games selectable for play by a user at the first amusement device. Another amusement device is in communication with the first amusement device and accesses a shared resource device operatively connected to the first amusement device. The second amusement is configured to access and control the shared resource device through the first amusement device. While described in general as being a touchscreen video display device type shared resource, the shared resource can be any one of a modem, a printer, a currency acceptor, a magnetic card reader, a video display or other input device. But, the memory of the first amusement device includes a plurality of games selectable for play by a user at the first amusement device.

A claim is anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102 only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found expressly or inherently described in a single prior art reference and the elements must be arranged as required in the claim. M.P.E.P. § 2131.

It is therefore respectfully submitted that claims 1-14 are not anticipated by LeMay because LeMay does not disclose or suggest each and every element of claims 1-14. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 1-14 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) be withdrawn.

Moreover, and notwithstanding the foregoing, the "process server" of LeMay is not a "terminal server application" as set forth in claims 8 and 14. The terminal server application permits control of the shared resource device using the controller of the second amusement device by commanding the inputs/outputs of the first amusement device. At paragraph [0023], LeMay discloses a virtual gaming peripheral process that is executed on a gaming machine to provide process handling of requests but does not disclose control inputs/outputs of the amusement device.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing Amendment and Remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application, including claims 1-14, is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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